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Give to Lincoln Day

The 13th annual Give to Lincoln Day, coordinated by Lincoln Community Foundation (LCF), will be held on May 30th, 2024. However, you can be part of this impactful event throughout all of May. Beginning May 1st, every donation through Give to Lincoln Day makes



an even bigger impact on Matt Talbot because we receive a proportional share of a \$650,000 matching fund provided by LCF and generous sponsors. This is the largest match fund in Give to Lincoln Day history! Your donation will support our comprehensive services that address the needs of the working poor and those experiencing homelessness.

The best way to give for this incredible event is online. Allo Fiber is sponsoring daily drawings from May 1st to May 29th and only online donations are eligible. Each day's selected donation will receive an additional \$250 for their designated nonprofit, as well as additional social media promotion from LCF. You can also choose to give through mailing a check made out to LCF with Matt Talbot in the memo, which can be mailed to either organization!

You're invited! To celebrate this awesome event, Matt Talbot will be hosting an open house and grill out on May 30th at 5:30pm. This is an opportunity to see the new expansion, which includes a two-story garage, conference room, and two more offices! Come learn more about the impact of these new spaces!

We hope you will choose to partner with us through Give to Lincoln Day! Your gift will help individuals in need find not only food, but hope and a path to a healthier and more stable life.

Feeding the Soul of the City

On Thursday, April 25th we gathered for a night of hope and celebration at our annual Feeding the Soul of the City fundraiser. Together we had the opportunity to learn more about our four areas of focus, hear inspiring stories of hope, and raise money for the C.A.R.E (Counseling, Addiction, Referral, Education/Evaluation) program. We're so grateful for all who were able to join us or supported from afar by purchasing a raffle ticket. A special thank you to all of our amazing sponsors of the night, including our Bold Hope Sponsors, Bridgepoint Investments and Sandhills Global. You can see the full list of sponsors at mtko.org/events.





















News from the kitchen

Please contact Victoria O'Neil at 402-817-0623 or victoria.oneil@mtko.org with any questions.

Reminders

- Remember to date and label all food that is put into the walk-in coolers or reach-in cooler. Please include a description of what the item is. Stickers are located outside of Steve's office.
- We have been having some issues with the weekend key fobs. Please reach out to Victoria if you are having problems. They are only good for the day you are serving. If you need access at another time please reach out.
- Make sure you turn off the coffee maker, coffee warmer, hot and cold table, ovens and dishwasher prior to leaving.
- If you see anything that needs to be addressed in the kitchen please bring it to our attention. We are happy to pull items out of the freezer or pantry and label them for your team. Please let us know what we can do to help.
- Disposable containers should only be used when quests take their meals "to-go", which are served from 12-12:30 for lunch. and 6-6:30 for dinner.
- Check lost & found under the stainless steel table near the back door.

Important Updates

- Daily reports have been updated, please complete each time you volunteer in the kitchen. Forms are located outside of Steve's office. This information helps us report accurate numbers.
- Evening teams Our flooring company is now cleaning the kitchen and dishroom floors every night. If for some reason you have to mop the floors, please only use soap and water, no bleach, it will discolor our new floors.
- Meal counts will be updated 1x per week going forward. Please call if you need further information.

2024 Hunger Relief Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested or know someone who would like to volunteer, please reach out to Victoria O'Neil at 402-817-0623. or victoria.oneil@mtko.org.

June 13th - Lunch	August 26th - Lunch	November 1st - Dinner	December 18
July 12th - Lunch	August 30th - Lunch	November 3rd - Lunch	December 30t
July 15th - Lunch	October 6th - Lunch	November 14th - Lunch	December 31s
July 29th - Lunch	October 10th - Lunch	November 28th - Lunch	AAAA
August 4th - Lunch	October 21st - Lunch	December 1st - Lunch	
August 9th - Lunch	October 28th - Lunch	December 2nd - Lunch	
August 19th - Lunch	October 29th - Lunch	December 12th - Lunch	

8th - Lunch Oth - Lunch 1st - Dinner



Please check your calendars to see if you are scheduled to serve a meal on a holiday. If so and are unable to provide, prepare, and serve please let Victoria O'Neil know. These dates can be difficult to fill, so please let her know as soon as possible.

Thank you for all you do!

Highlights from April

National Volunteer Month

April was National Volunteer Month! Here at Matt Talbot, volunteers are the heartbeat of our organization. Without you we wouldn't be able to provide daily services to our guests. Thank you for the thousands of hours you spend at Matt Talbot every year. Our wonderful Director of Hunger Relief and Volunteerism, Victoria O'Neil, put together a volunteer lounge for volunteers to enjoy throughout the month. If you weren't able to make it to the volunteer lounge, just know how much we appreciate you!







Lincoln East High Donations

The Lincoln East music department collected 903 items from their annual can drive competition. This donation weighed almost 700 pounds, which equates to over 1,000 meals! We're so grateful for this donation



Thank You, Sandhills Global

After many years, our commercial refrigerator and freezer both stopped working at the same time and needed to be replaced. These are large units and are crucial to our daily hunger relief efforts. We are so grateful to Sandhills Global, a long term community partner who showed generosity and compassion by replacing these units, enabling us to continue our normal operations uninterrupted. Thank you Sandhills Global!

13th Annual Zimmer Fish Fry

In April, John Zimmer and his fiance, Katie King, held the 13th Annual Zimmer Fish Fry They cooked up some delicious food and collected over \$6,500 for Matt Talbot - WOW! We're so grateful for the Zimmer Fish Fry and all who attended!



Carly Providing Haircuts

Meet Carly! On April 22nd, she provided 11 awesome haircuts to our guests.

Carly is a talented barber (& Matt Talbot volunteer) who has an inspiring story of hope and inspiration after weathering a dark season! Read her full story at mtko.org or scan the QR code below!







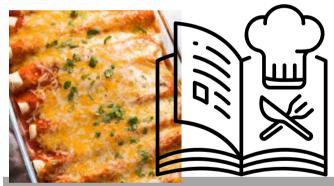




BOLD HOPE

Thank you Feeding the Soul of the City Sponsors!





RECIPE

Spicy Chicken Enchiladas Serves 150

Ingredients:

- 14 cups minute rice
- 2 1/3 cups canola oil
- 37 1/2 pounds of ground chicken
- 5 1/4 cups chopped onion
- 1 1/2 cups minced garlic
- 1 1/2 cups chopped jalapeno peppers or poblano peppers for more mild taste
- 250 ounces diced tomatoes w/ green chilies, drained
- 362 1/2 ounces enchilada sauce
- 12 1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 18 3/4 cups plain yogurt
- 150 10 inch tortillas

Instructions:

- 1. Preheat oven 350 degrees.
- 2. Prepare rice as per directions on package.
- 3. Heat oil in pan and add chicken, onion, garlic, and jalapenos or poblanos. Cook until chicken is evenly brown.
- 4. Mix together the prepared rice, chicken mixture, diced tomatoes w/ green chiles, 2/3 enchilada sauce, 1/2 cheddar cheese and 1/2 of the yogurt.
- 5. Spoon mixture evenly into tortillas.
- 6. Wrap tortillas around the mixture to form enchiladas and arrange in the prepared baking dish.
- 7. Cover with remaining enchilada sauce and top with remaining cheese.
- 8. Bake 15 minutes in oven until cheese is melted and sauce bubbles.
- 9. Serve with remaining yogurt.

NOTES:

Calories: 298 | Sodium: 460 mg | Helpful tips: Could use canned chicken. No need to cook the canned chicken chicken, just add it to the onions & pepper mixture and heat through.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Lunch Wednesday Lunch Bunch Supper Praise Temple Church	2 Lunch Leftover Queens Supper St. Joseph's	3 Lunch IANL Supper Ashley Cleverly	4 Lunch College View Church Supper Family & Friends
5 Lunch Uma Chidambaram Supper Westminster Presbyterian	6 Lunch Tim Muggy Supper Super Supper Savers	7 Lunch Mary Jo Friends & Family Supper Tuesday Dues	8 Lunch Christ United Methodist Church Supper Scott Middle School's TIE	9 Lunch Bryan Health Supper Blessed Sacrament #2	Lunch Christ Lincoln School Supper Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church	11 Lunch Second Saturday Smilers Supper 1 st Plymouth
Lunch St. Mary's Elmwood Supper Joe Duggan	Lunch Sacred Heart Beaver Crossing Supper No Greater Love Church	Lunch Community Corrections Supper St. Joseph's	Lunch Skyview Learning Academy Supper St. Teresa's #1	16 Lunch Christ United Methodist – Maggie Bates Supper Living Faith Free Methodist Church	Lunch Second Baptist Supper St. Mary's/NA Martyrs Mix	Lunch Edenton Christian Church Supper Reaching the World Outreach
Lunch Volleyball Club Nebraska Supper St. Paul's Methodist Church 26 Lunch North American Martyrs	20 Lunch Immanuel Church Supper St. David's Episcopal 27 Lunch Sub Team Needed	21 Lunch First Lutheran Church Supper United Methodist Youth Group 28 Lunch Women's Welcome Club	29 Lunch Orthodox Men of Lincoln	23 Lunch Smithfield Supper St. Francis & St. Clare 30 Lunch Saint Paulinus Supper	24 Lunch Sister Chicks Supper Sheridan Lutheran 31 Lunch Christ United Methodist	25 Lunch Blessed Sacrament #5 Supper CALL
Supper Servants of Saint Joseph & Youth Ministry	Supper Southpoint Christian Church	Supper Southwood Lutheran Church	Supper St. Peter's	Give to Lincoln Day Grill Out	Supper Southwood Lutheran Church	

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To relieve hunger, overcome homelessness, address addiction, and provide outreach and advocacy in Lincoln.

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